

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
CHARLOTTE DIVISION  
CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:16-CV-783-FDW-DCK**

**ELIZABETH WOOTEN SCHMITZ,**

**Plaintiff,**

**v.**

**BENEFITFOCUS.COM, INC. and  
HARTFORD LIFE AND ACCIDENT  
INSURANCE COMPANY a/k/a THE  
HARTFORD,**

**Defendants.**

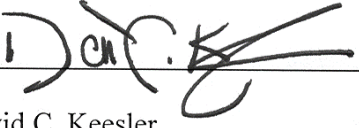
**ORDER**

**THIS MATTER IS BEFORE THE COURT** on the “Application For Admission To Practice *Pro Hac Vice*” (Document No. 11) filed by Rebecca Gauthier, concerning Jennifer H. Thiem on November 29, 2016. Ms. Jennifer H. Thiem seeks to appear as counsel *pro hac vice* for Defendant BenefitFocus.com, Inc. Upon review and consideration of the motion, which was accompanied by submission of the necessary fee, the Court will grant the motion.

**IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED** that in accordance with Local Rule 83.1, the “Application For Admission To Practice *Pro Hac Vice*” (Document No. 11) is **GRANTED**. Ms. Jennifer H. Thiem is hereby admitted *pro hac vice* to represent Defendant BenefitFocus.com, Inc.

**SO ORDERED.**

Signed: November 29, 2016

  
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David C. Keesler  
United States Magistrate Judge

